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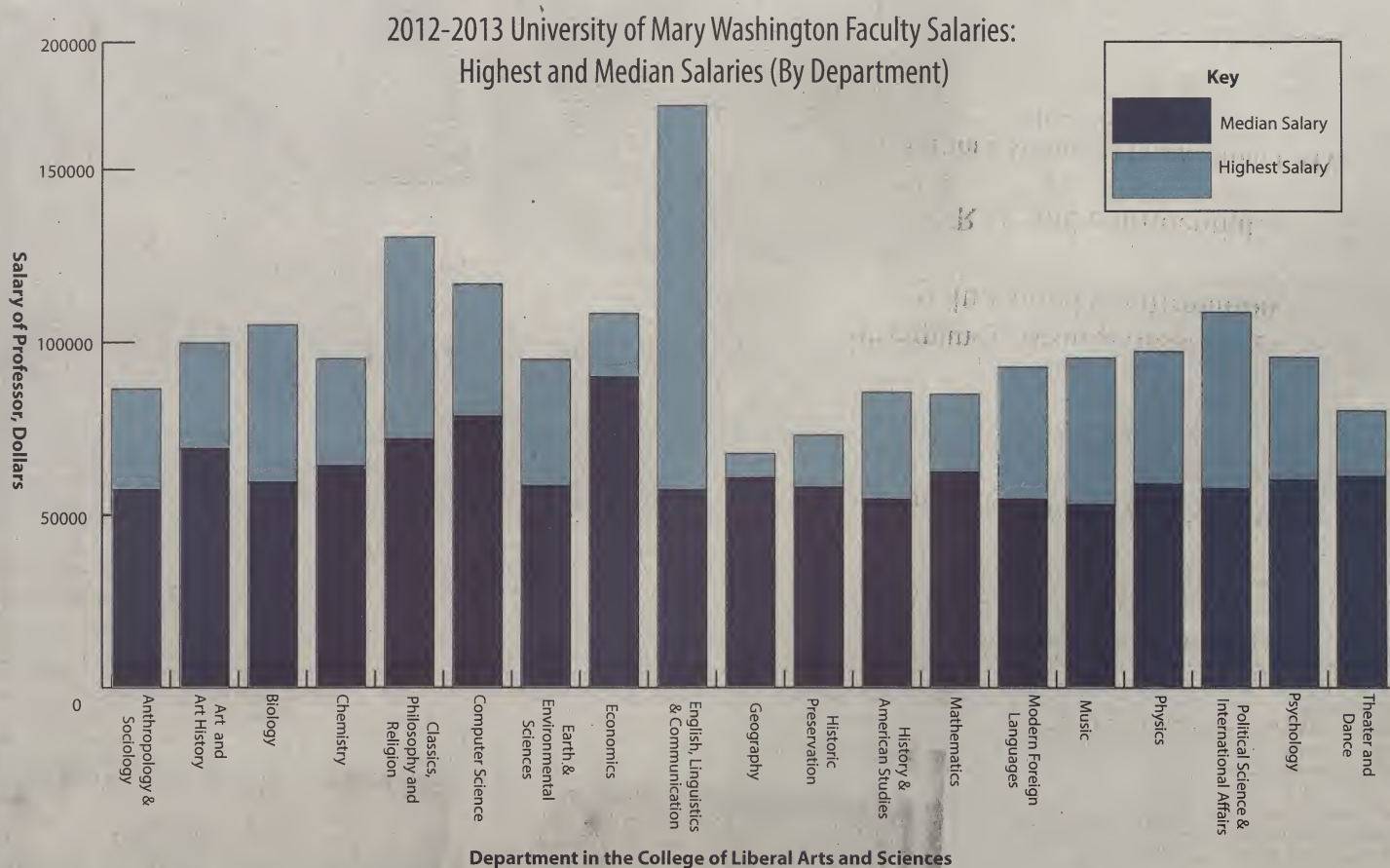
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The above chart shows the 2012-2013 University of Mary Washington Faculty Salaries; highest and median salaries by department. The information was received by the Bullet through a FOIA request to UMW University Relations. The highest paid salary overall fell in the English, Linguistic and Communication department. By Mariah Young

## Virginia turns blue: A look at the 2013 election

By STEPHANIE TIPPLE

The Commonwealth of Virginia elected Democrats Terry McAuliffe and Ralph Northam to serve as governor and lieutenant governor, respectively, on Tuesday, Nov. 5. Virginia is awaiting a recount of votes for the attorney general race.

McAuliffe beat out former Attorney General Ken Cuccinelli in the polls for governor, 48 percent to 45.5 percent, according to the New York Times website. Northam beat out E.W. Jackson in the polls for lieutenant governor, 55.14 percent to 44.49 percent.

The outcomes of this election were met with varied feelings. "Obviously, Young Democrats are overjoyed with the outcome of the election. From the way it looks, we have a clean sweep in Fredericksburg and statewide," said Benjamin Hermerding, presi-

dent of the young democrats. "We couldn't be happier."

The College Republicans felt differently after election night. "I'm disappointed that Cuccinelli lost for governor, and that we lost for lieutenant governor as well, but I have a sliver

• ELECTION, 8

## Shooting on Cowan Blvd., suspect arrested

By COLLEEN HUBER

Multiple shots were fired and the residents of the Commons Apartment Complex on Cowen Boulevard were evacuated after the accused, Michael Bailey, allegedly shot his neighbor and barricaded himself in his apartment for six hours on Thursday Oct. 31.

Fredericksburg Police took Bailey, 50, a Fredericksburg resident, into custody at 2:20 a.m. on Nov. 1 and charged him with 13 felony offenses, according to an article in The Free Lance-Star.

Fredericksburg Police said Bailey broke into an apartment and stole a .22 caliber rifle and then proceeded to break into another residence and shoot a 52-year-old resident. Police did not identify the resident.

Police previously arrested Bailey, also known as "Tennessee" and "Billy the Kid," for assault on June 22. He was later found not guilty, according to The Free Lance-Star.

Natatia Blesdoe, Fredericksburg Police spokeswoman, said the victim knew Bailey for about a year and a half, and they had many disputes over the time.

Bailey was charged with two counts of burglary, malicious wounding, attempted malicious wounding of a law enforcement officer, four counts of using a firearm in the commission of a felony, possession of a firearm as a felony, shooting into an occupied dwelling, destruction of property, grand larceny of a firearm and another firearms charge, according to The Free Lance-Star article.

Bailey is currently held in the Rappahannock Regional Jail without bond.

Police from Fredericksburg and surrounding jurisdictions arrived on scene around 8:20 p.m. on Oct. 31 and found the victim outside his apartment with several gunshot wounds in his shoulder and back.

• SHOOTING, 2



After the election results were released, the McAuliffe website showed him thanking his constituents.

Courtesy of McAuliffe for Governor

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## Police Beat

By Hope Racine

### Theft

An iPad 2 was stolen from Simpson Library on Oct. 28 at 3:30 p.m. The case is pending.

An item was stolen from a vehicle on the 900 block of Cornell St. on Oct. 29 around 9 a.m. The case is pending.

A student's bike was stolen from behind Arrington Hall on Oct. 29 between 4 and 8 p.m. The case is pending.

A student received an administrative referral and honor council referral after being found with stolen toilet paper outside of Ball Hall on Oct. 30 around 10:30 p.m.

A Cheap Seats DVD was stolen on Oct. 31 between 11:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. from Seacobeck hall. The case is pending.

### Possession of Drugs and Drug Paraphernalia

On Oct. 29 at around 11:30 p.m., a student was found in possession of drug paraphernalia on the third floor of Bushnell Hall. An administrative referral was given.

Four students on the fourth floor of Eagle Landing were given administrative referrals on Nov. 1 at 1:20 a.m. for possession of marijuana.

### Vandalism

The elevator in the parking deck by Alvey Hall was vandalized on Oct. 30 between 1 and 1:30 p.m. A panel and the emergency call button was vandalized. The case is pending.

A vehicle was tampered with on the 900 block of Mortimer Ave. on Oct. 29 at 4:30 p.m. The case is pending.

### Alcohol Violations

On Nov. 2 around midnight a 19-year-old student on the third floor of Eagle Landing was given an administrative referral for public intoxication.

A UMW student, 18, received an administrative referral for underage intoxication on Nov. 2 around 11 p.m. on the third floor of Virginia hall. An EMS transport was called.

On Oct. 31, around 2:20 a.m., an 18-year-old student was given an administrative referral for public intoxication in the lobby of Russell Hall and transported to Mary Washington hospital by EMS

### Assault and Battery

There was a case of assault and battery on the fourth floor of Eagle Landing on Nov. 1 at 2:30 a.m. The victim declined prosecution and the case was closed.

The information was compiled with assistance from UMW Police Manager James DeLoatch and Fredericksburg Police Department Public Information Officer Natalia Blesdoo.

The Bulletin will publish the names of students who are formally charged by the University of Mary Washington Campus Police or the Fredericksburg Police Department to have committed acts of extreme violence against members of the UMW community or pose a large threat to that community, when names are released to the public. The Bulletin will publish names and write articles about criminal acts on a case-by-case basis according to the aforementioned parameters.

## Shooting suspect under arrest after stand-off

### • SHOOTING, 1

Police moved the gunshot victim to a safe place before the ambulance could take him to the Mary Washington Hospital because the armed shooter was still at large. The victim was released from the hospital the following morning.

Police surrounded the apartment complex and blocked off part of Cowan Boulevard. Residents remaining in their homes were told to stay in place unless otherwise notified. Residents attempting to return to the Commons and Belmont were prohibited by the police blockade, according to The Free Lance-Star article.

Blesdoo said that at the beginning of the shooting, Bailey came out on his balcony and fired several shots. Bailey also fired several shots inside his apartment. No one was harmed in either instance.

At one point during the shooting, Bailey aimed his weapon at an officer without shooting

and the officer responded by firing a shot at Bailey, although it did not appear that Bailey was shot. Police are still investigating the possibility that he was, according to Blesdoo.

Police said that Bailey was alone in his apartment for the entirety of the standoff and they were able to make contact with Bailey in the beginning, but there were a few moments in which they received no response, according to The Free Lance-Star article.

Bailey suffered numerous wounds to his face and hands. It is unclear where the injuries came from, but police said they saw Bailey holding a gun and breaking out windows during the incident.

According to The Free Lance-Star, State Police, Prince William Police, and the Stafford, Spotsylvania and Fredericksburg's Sheriffs Offices assisted Fredericksburg Police during the shooting.



Courtesy of University Relations



Gracie Drape/Bulletin

As the Campus Center construction begins a new phase, noise levels rise

## Construction continues, noise levels increase

By COLLEEN HUBER

A louder phase of construction around the new Campus Center began on Nov. 4 and will continue through Dec. 3.

This phase consists of the installation of a structural support system. The construction will be "a moderately noisy operation," according to a press release on EagleEye.

According to Les Johnson, capital outlay project manager of facility services, this process is known in the industry as "geo-piers."

The process is a method of increasing the bearing strength of the earth under the building footings. This will make the building less likely to shift over time, according to Johnson.

"It can be thought of as a minimally invasive surgery in that it resembles a hypodermic needle modified with a one-way valve being vibrated into the

ground," said Johnson. "The needle, or mandrel, is vibrated to a pre-determined depth, then raised about three feet to allow stone in the mandrel to flow into the vacant space."

The mandrel is vibrated downward again to compress the stone into the void. The process continues to repeat until the mandrel is returned to the ground surface, according to Johnson.

"Students living near the Campus Center will hear and feel the vibration of the mandrel rig, but the noise is quite moderate," said Johnson.

The process resembles steps used in the construction of Eagle Village and the Information and Technology Convergence Center.

The work will remain within the regular hours of operation, Monday through Friday 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

## Alumna visits campus to speak with students

By CAMILLE TURNER

Allison M. Stagg, a 2002 graduate from the University of Mary Washington, will return to UMW today for a lecture on American caricature and an informal interview about her career.

Stagg graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in art history, and received a number of fellowships and grants from institutions such as the American Philosophical Society, Smithsonian American Art Museum and Yale University.

Stagg curated at multiple museums, including the Metropolitan Museum, and organized exhibits at the National Portrait Gallery in London and the National Gallery in Washington, D.C.

According to Stagg, she always loved art but did not know that she wanted to study art history until UMW offered the major.

"It draws on so many different disciplines, and you can apply it to everyday life," said Stagg.

JeanAnn Dabb, professor of art history, taught Stagg in a

number of classes and was her major and individual study advisor during Stagg's time at UMW.

"Allison was always up for the adventure of looking at art in its original context as well as museums," said Dabb. "She was continually an enthusiastic participant in discussions both in and outside of class."

Stagg is currently working to turn her research on political caricature in the United States from 1780 to 1830 into a book, "The Art of Wit: American Political Caricature."

Her lecture, "James Akin: The First American Caricaturist," will take place on Nov. 7 at 5 p.m. in Lee Hall room 411 and is sponsored by the Department of Art and Art History.

Stagg will discuss the life and work of James Akin, an American political cartoonist in the late 18th through 19th centuries. Akin's work influenced many popular caricaturists at the time.

Olivia Garner, junior classics major, said that she would consider attending the presentation because she thinks American

caricature sounds interesting.

"I think art history is important because art is an expression of social, political and economic events that are happening at the time, as well as an expression of the artist's feelings about those events," said Garner.

Dabb believes Stagg's presentation will raise a number of interesting points about the relationship between art and public opinion.

"The tradition of caricature should be of interest to a wide range of students, especially considering the climate of political discourse in the country at present," said Dabb.

Stagg will hold an informal interview about her career on Nov. 8 at 9:30 a.m. in Melchers Hall room 107.

According to Dabb, students who attend the interview will receive advice from Stagg on career options, graduate school applications and internships.

Marjorie Och, professor of art history, said, "Our alumni have been a valuable resource for our current art his-

tory majors. The networks they create are amazing."

According to Stagg, despite what some people say, there are many things students can do with an art history degree.

"Art history can be lifelong fun. It doesn't just have to be four years at college," said Stagg. "If it's your passion and it's something you love, then you can find a way to do it in so many different capacities."

Students will also have the chance to meet individually with Stagg, who will hold appointments from 1-3 p.m. on Nov. 8. Students can sign up for an appointment at the department office in Melchers Hall room 217.

Och said that it is beneficial for students to hear about the current work happening in art history.

"From our research we uncover a great deal about a particular society and group of individuals," said Och. "In many respects, doing art history allows us to have conversations with people in the past. What could be more interesting?"

## This Week's Campus Briefing

A guide to the events at the University of Mary Washington and Fredericksburg Community. Compiled from information provided in the UMW newsletter EagleEye.



### Bhangra Beat:

The International Living Community's Annual Bhangra Beat competition will take place on Saturday, Nov. 9 at 7 p.m. in the Anderson Center. The competition includes teams from all over the state, including James Madison University Bhangra, Virginia Tech Bhangra, University of Virginia di Shaan and Virginia Commonwealth University Bhangra.

### Fall Fest:

Thursday, Nov. 7 through Saturday Nov. 9. Thursday night will feature ThinkFast at 8 p.m. in the Underground to test students Jeopardy knowledge. On Friday, there will be a carnival at 6 p.m. on Ball Circle, which will include inflatables, a zip line and various fall themed treats. On Saturday Nov. 9, Battle of the Bands will take place in the Great Hall at 7:30 p.m.

### Shabbat Dinner:

Get a taste of a traditional Jewish cuisine Friday, November 8 at 6 p.m. in the faculty and staff dining room in Seacobeck. Experience what Shabbat means and learn about Jewish customs while tantalizing your taste buds.

## Honorable Mentions: The Success of the UMW Professional Community

The professional endeavors of the professors, administrators and faculty of the University of Mary Washington. Compiled from information provided in the UMW Newsletter, EagleEye.

**Vice President for Student Affairs Doug Searcy and Executive Director of the Center for Honor, Leadership and Service David Rettinger,**

presented a program on UMW's Center for Honor, Leadership and Service in Norfolk, VA. The presentation took place at the 64th Annual Conference of the Southern Association for College Student Affairs from Nov. 2 through Nov. 4. The program was aimed toward the strengths of the center's program and, ultimately, improving the curricular points of the university.

**Webmaster Curtiss Grymala and Director of Digital Communications Shelley Keith,**

took part in an all-night "hackathon" Oct. 6 through Oct. 9 to raise money for Ride for Roswell. The event took place at HighEdWeb 2013 in Buffalo, NY and supported the Roswell Park Cancer Institute. The fundraiser lasted from 7 p.m. to 4 a.m. and totaled over 400 labor hours from roughly 75 participants.

**Associate Professor of Political Science and International Affairs Surupa Gupta,**

spoke in Washington, D.C. at the Transatlantic Academy of the German Marshall Fund of the United States on Nov. 5. The workshop was called "India and the Liberal World Order" and focused on India's engagement with global economic institutions.

### CORRECTIONS

In the Oct. 31 issue, the article "Students want petition to be signed by UMW" incorrectly stated that the petition should be signed by all UMW students.

The same article incorrectly stated that the petition was to be signed by all UMW students. The petition was actually signed by the UMW community.



# Viewpoints

## Christmas hype not viable for underprivileged

Christmastime began in earnest on Nov. 1, as department store employees organized miniature reindeer figurines into rows, and others, methodically attached fifty percent off clearance stickers to orange and black monster-themed decorative candles.

Critiques of the ever-present holiday arise from every angle, often discussed briefly every winter amid glittering Macy's and Ford ads on the nightly news.

Evangelicals claim atheists and liberals purposefully use radical conspiracies to remove all spiritual association or participation from the celebration.

Religious minorities and agnostics argue the current existence of Christmas as a federal holiday proves that Christian policy-makers oppress other faiths by not upholding the separation of church and state.

Some elderly scold their youthful relatives in dining rooms throughout the nation for "losing the true meaning" of the holiday, forgetting they received the same condemnation from their own grandparents fifty years earlier.

Halloween decorations still littering lawns and front porches, Christmas is already here, and with it, the same recycled criticisms.

Not discussed amid the

would benefit more to examine their own behaviors in the context of consumerism and base their ire from that perspective.

Individuals in extreme poverty are not focused on fighting theological or political battles; they do not have that luxury.

Instead, sleep is lost agonizing between creating a Christmas meal for their family like all those advertised on television every night, or simply paying rent.

As a society, perhaps we

should think critically about the system we are operating within as we argue about its details.

Wealth allows individuals possessing it to cherry-pick their ideological battles.

Those in poverty literally cannot afford to do so; they must instead struggle to simply participate in a holiday others debate academically.

Entering this passionate season, consider the impact consumerism can have on the well-being of, and social feelings toward, those in poverty, and reevaluate your own Christmastime consumption.

As the most talked about holiday in Western culture, perhaps those passionately arguing over its purpose, relevance or historical authenticity

## Author's opinion should be separate from film's merit

By CLAIRE THOMPSON

Political controversy surrounds the Nov. 1 release of the film adaptation of the novel "Ender's Game." Ben Child brought to light the debate on the film in his article for The Guardian "Activists call for Ender's Game Boycott over author's anti-gay views."

According to Child, the activist group Geeks Out called for a boycott of the film because of anti-gay views held by Orson Scott Card, who wrote the original novel in 1984. The group went as far as constructing a website called "Skip Ender's Game," instructing people to "not buy a ticket at the theatre, do not purchase the DVD...However much you may have admired his books, keep your money out of Orson Scott Card's pockets."

While I do not support Card's anti-gay opinions, I completely disagree with those who call for a boycott of the movie. I personally believe it is possible to buy a ticket for the film, as its plot has nothing to do with gay rights, without subscribing to the political views of the novel's author.

"Ender's Game" is an amazing book, and should be viewed as a separate entity from Card's political beliefs. I believe he is entitled to his own opinion, and

his literary art should not be discriminated against because of it.

In response to the Geeks Out boycott of the film Card made a statement, insinuating that his views on gay rights have nothing to do Ender's Game, both film and novel.

ous proponents of gay marriage will show tolerance toward those who disagreed with them."

Card makes a valid point. The issue here is not really about gay rights; it is about each and every person having the right to their own opinion. By boycotting Ender's Game and making Card seem like a villain, these activists are violating Card's essential right to disagree.

I personally believe that activists boycotting Ender's Game are taking a wrong and hypocritical approach. Card himself recognized gay marriage as "victorious," clearly acknowledging defeat. If supporters of gay marriage want their beliefs to be respected, they should learn to respect the opinions of those who disagree with them. In order to do this, they need to learn there is a key difference between respecting someone else's opinion and supporting it.

Regardless of Orson Scott Card's past anti-gay statements, I think people should ignore those who wish to boycott Ender's Game. There is a time and place for political debate, and the movie theater is definitely not it.



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The movie opened this weekend in theaters.

"Ender's Game is set more than a century in the future and has nothing to do with political issues that did not exist when the book was written in 1984," wrote Card. He went even further by stating, "It will be interesting to see whether the victori-

## 'Marriage is what brings us together today:' or does it?

By VERONICA BOYD

Is marriage outdated? It is a man made institution that legally and systematically binds people, but what does it even mean in today's context?

People may choose to get married for various reasons, such as money, children, status, convenience or companionship.

However, the main reason is supposed to be love, or so society says.

I always believed I would not get married unless I was in love. Yet, as I grew up and realized what marriage meant, I learned that being in love was not the only reason to get married, but it surely should be the number one reason.

Marriage requires so much more than love. There are

countless things that must be considered before deciding to marry someone. Even if one marries for money one must still deal with that person for the rest of their life presumably.

Today it seems that the idea of love is all but forgotten. With the debate over what and who constitutes a marriage, one should pay attention to the topics.

No one opposed to same-sex marriage notes their opposition against whether or not the couple is in love.

The debate is strictly a political and ideological one. The opposed refute that same-sex couples deserve the right to the tax breaks and other social and legal protections that marriage entails.

Whether or not a couple is in love is not a stipulation, only whether or not they are a heterosexual couple.

This both angers and confuses me. How can one so strongly support the idea that homosexual couples ruin the sanctity of marriage because of their sexual orientation?

Some heterosexual couples marry for money, convenience or even just because someone is knocked up. These are the true detriments to the sanctity of marriage.

As far as I am concerned, the only reason anyone should think about getting married is if they are truly in love.

The idea of tax breaks, divorce settlements or convenience should never enter the conversation of marriage.

The institution of marriage, was founded for financial purposes, the idea of spending your life with someone took on practical motivations rather than romantic motivations.

According to our culture and government, it seems to be more important to be a couple that adheres to the financial and strategic implications of marriage than a couple that adheres to the romantic implication of being in love.

The National Health Statistics Report's Vital and Health Statistics Series shows that marriage rate increased marginally since 1990 by about five percent, while divorce rates decreased by about three percent.

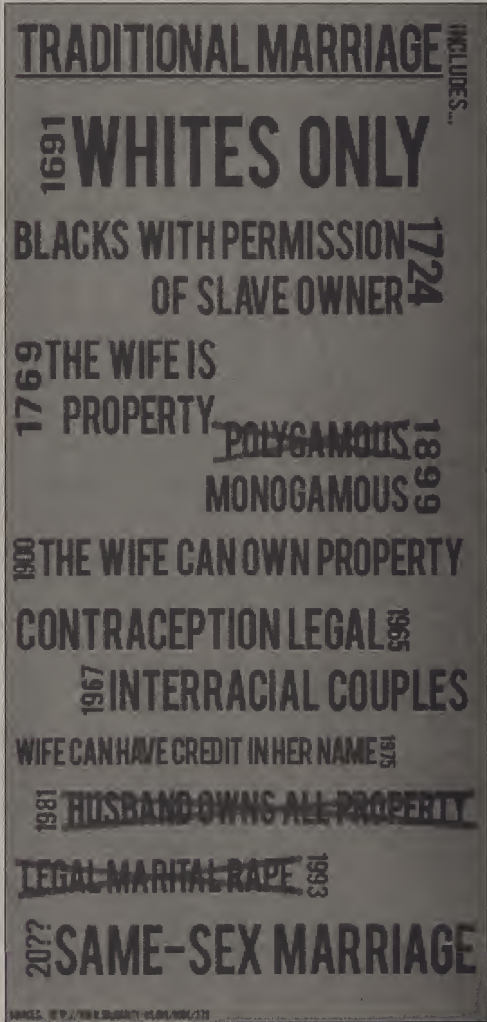
This displays some hope for America in terms of the overall view of the sanctity of marriage, but it also shows a downfall.

There are no statistics kept in the Vital and Health Statistics Series about specifically homosexual marriages or divorces.

These kinds of marriages and divorces are of no concern to our national government and that is because our government does not accept or consider these marriages or divorces, relevant to statistically keep track of.

Apparently it is okay for people to get married. As long as they have any socially or legally accepted reason, it does not need to be love, but if it is love, it cannot be homosexual love.

Marriage laws and policies have fluctuated throughout history. The graphic shows what years certain inequalities changed.



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Marriage has taken on many different definitions throughout history, not always based on love.

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# Viewpoints



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The Los Angeles airport shooting resulted in the death of a TSA officer, leaving behind a wife and two children. The toll had the potential to be worse if friends of the shooter's had not informed police/

## LAX shooting sheds light on the root of the problem

By JORDAN SNYDER

Last week, while sitting in a classroom before class started, the girl sitting next me was looking through a newspaper. In a monotone voice, she commented, "Oh there has been another shooting."

A few classmates looked up at her, and one of them asked where.

The girl replied "LAX," already flipping the page and moving onto another story. Everyone else went back to their own conversations.

This is just one example of how, as a society, we have become immune to gun violence. Connie E., a crisis and

trauma counselor said, "The world has become very jaded to the 'final effects' of a bullet, as we are de-sensitized daily by fictional television, video games....and war."

Gun violence is so intertwined in our daily lives that unless the violence directly affects us, we as a society just seem to brush it off.

Is this really the type of society that we want to live amongst?

I for one do not want to live in a world where someone can go about shooting innocent people while the rest of America barely bats an eye. Jon Finnegan, a dean at the

University of Minnesota School of Public Health, writes in a report, "As of March 15, more than 2,600 people have died of gunshot wounds since the Sandy Hook Elementary School massacre on December 14, 2012."

That is over 800 deaths a month, many of which no one outside of the victim's family gave any thought to.

This is not to say that our country does not pull together in a tragedy; we saw just that last December in the wake of the Sandy Hook shooting.

People from all over the country mourned the loss of those children, but now, less than a

year later, that shooting is a distant, forgotten memory to most.

"How immune are we becoming to these senseless mass shootings?" asked Eddie Weingart, founder of Project End Gun Violence at a vigil in September following the recent Navy Yard shooting.

Weingart's question needs to be addressed. What are we as a country going to do about the way we perceive gun violence?

"Mass shootings are becoming almost as American as apple pie and baseball," Weingart said to the crowd, "and that's appalling." This statement may be exaggerated, but

it does hold some truth. In the last few years America witnessed mass shooting in movie theaters, malls, public schools, universities and military bases.

Are we going to continue down this trend to the point where mass shootings will not even be headline news but just another story mixed in with the 10 o'clock news?

I hope we are not heading down that path, and, if we are, we need to turn back now. We need to stop glorifying gun violence in our everyday lives and start seeing it for the horrible tragedy that it is. There is no clear cut way on

how to solve this, but many argue that we need to increase gun control laws or stop allowing children to play violent video games or watch violent movies.

However, neither of those alone will change how society views things.

As a country, we should make a societal shift. It is not going to happen overnight, in the next week or even the next year.

It will take time, but if we begin now to make a conscious effort to change, it can happen.

If we stop making gunmen famous and start focusing on the victims, a change can be made.

## Mayor's drug past blows up argument on addiction

By KATIE REDMILES

Canada made news headlines this week when Toronto Mayor Rob Ford admitted to using crack cocaine, but he did not step down from his current position and maintained every intention of reelection.

His justification for the alleged rumors was that he smoked crack cocaine once, a year ago and was most likely in a "drunken stupor," as reported by Paula Newton and James Hanna of CNN.

"Yes, I have smoked crack cocaine. But...do I? Am I an addict? No," Ford said when questioned on the matter.

After further investigation, police found a video of the mayor smoking what looked like a crack pipe.

The video took place last winter, not matching up with the mayor's chronology of his usage. They also discovered a photo of what appeared to be the mayor in front of a "chop house," where crack is produced.

The mayor's sentiments about his own substance abuse is one shared by far too many people today, being that one can "try" highly addictive substances once and not become addicted.

He also proves that when someone who is caught with such substances, what they say about their past with it should be taken with a grain of salt, or rather a gram.

Drugs, especially highly addictive breeds, such as crack, heroine and meth, are chemically designed to hook a person immediately.

Crack itself works by entering the blood stream rapid-

ly and then giving the user a sense of euphoria for a short period of time, making the come down experience depressing and anxiety ridden.

"Crack cocaine is one of the most powerful illegal drugs when it comes to producing psychological dependence. It stimulates key pleasure centers within the brain and causes extremely heightened euphoria...a tolerance develops quickly—the addict soon fails to achieve the same high experienced earlier from the same amount of crack cocaine," is the description cited on the Foundation for a Drug Free World website.

It is true that the effects of crack cocaine are known to be exaggerated due to racial prej-

udices in the areas it is most prevalent, but this does not take away from the fact that cocaine, whether it be in powder or rock form, is addicting and chemically imbalances someone's brain.

There is no such thing as a "recreational crack user" or any other heavy drug like methamphetamines or heroin.

The body will change to the drug, and, furthermore, it is not possible for someone to control their addiction by means of their own brain power.

Rehabilitation and help from a professional are the only safe ways to digress from unhealthy habits of substance abuse.

In fact, alcohol addiction

withdrawal can be fatal to a person, thus it must be done with medical advice and supervision.

The mayor's story and continuing revelations reiterates the important fact people need to understand: once an addict, always an addict.

The tragic death of actor Corey Monteith this summer further proves the dangers of believing that addiction is something someone can handle on their own.

He did go to rehab and went through the process of getting clean, but only after many years of ignoring the issue.

Then in the limelight, he did not let anyone else know of his struggles.


Yet, everyone around him was ready to believe he was clean. Addicts will lie, they will find a way to get the drug and no amount of love and happiness given by the people around them will change that fact.

Mayor Ford can tell the public that he only abused crack cocaine once, and he may or may not have been in a "drunken stupor," but, ultimately, it will be revealed that this was not a onetime incident.

He can apologize a thousand times over, but that is an emotional response to a chemical reaction in the body that cannot be controlled emotionally.

The apology will not suffice for the high his body will crave. The mayor should step down and be an example to other struggling substance abusers, by seeking the assistance needed to balance their life in a healthy way.

*There is no such thing as a "recreational crack user."*




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# Style

## Bhangra Beat preview: an interview with Upma Kapoor



Bullet/Ginny Clark

The ninth annual Bhangra Beat will be held Nov. 9 in the Andersen Center and is free admission for all students. Starting at 7 p.m. the show will feature seven different bhangra performances.

By GINNY CLARK

If there is a lack of fun and good dancing in your life, never fear. Bhangra is back.

The University of Mary Washington will host the ninth annual Bhangra Beat at 7 p.m. in the Andersen Center this Saturday, Nov. 9. A test of skill, poise and passion, teams from all over the state will perform and contend for the winning seat.

Competing teams include James Madison University Bhangra, Virginia Tech Bhangra, University of Virginia di Shaan and Virginia Commonwealth University Bhangra, which will perform alongside exhibiting teams VCU Nach Ve and UMW's very own Eagle Bhangra.

Bhangra is a popular style of dance that originates from the Punjab region of eastern Pakistan and northern India. Grounded in rich folk traditions, bhangra has evolved over time to include elements of hip-hop, rock and even reggae. A synthesis of musical styles; bhangra is more than just dance, it is a merging point of genre, culture and era. It eradicates boundaries.

For graduating senior Upma Kapoor, captain of Eagle Bhangra and English major, this year's Bhangra Beat will be her last. The Bulletin had a chance to sit down with Kapoor and talk to her about the upcoming bhangra event.



Courtesy of Upma Kapoor

Senior English major Kapoor is the captain of Bhangra Beat.

**What is Bhangra Beat? Is this something that is unique to Mary Washington?**

Yes! Bhangra Beat is an event hosted by the International Living Community (ILC), or Framar House, in collaboration with the Association of Residence Halls and Office of Residence Life. What sets our event apart from other bhangra competitions is not only our nearly decade-old legacy, but the fact that the teams we invite have the opportunity to meet with judges and discuss their scores. Similarly, it becomes an enriching opportunity for our audience

as between performances, dancers and ILC members have tidbit lessons on the history of the dance, culture and attire.

**The UMW Eagles danced a lot this year. How does a team prepare for an event like this? What are some of the greatest challenges you face?**

Eagle Bhangra is an exhibition team at the event, so we prepare with our regular practice plus or minus a few additional run-throughs. The ILC, as the head planners of the event, starts planning as early as January. We determine

which teams to invite, additional exhibition acts and, most importantly, who the judges will be by October. Ultimately, the greatest challenge is to ensure that all acts and judges are able to attend. It is a major juggling act, managing over 80 performers in a single evening. It is more challenging to depend on 24 different individuals to ensure that everything runs smoothly. But we're up to it!

**Why do you think so many college students are attracted to bhangra? What separates this from other performance arts?**

Bhangra is an energetic and fun dance to watch. While this could be said about any other dance, the colors and props incorporated in bhangra set to upbeat mixes of various top hits, provides an entertaining experience. What may make it even more different on this campus alone is that it is a big event that the ILC strives to improve upon every year. Last year, we had about 700 people fill up the Andersen Center to watch the event, and everyone seemed to learn something about Punjabi culture that they never would have expected.

## 'Carving for a Cure' unites



Courtesy of Catey LeBouton

Laura Cutkosky, Julia Burzynski and Kenneth Haddon won third, second and first places.

By STEPHANIE VASQUEZ

This past Wednesday, Oct. 30, Relay for Life and Campus Dining hosted "Carving for a Cure" on Ball Circle. The event was not only a chance for students to donate to Relay for Life, but to help students get in the Halloween mood by carving pumpkins with friends. Relay for Life asked students for a \$5 donation to go toward finding a cure for cancer, although it was not necessary to donate money in order to participate in carving.

Many students gathered around Ball Circle to carve pumpkin masterpieces, and some entered the pumpkin carving contest in which the winner received a \$50 gift card. During carving, on campus a cappella groups such as BellAcappella

and One Note Stand performed for students and judges.

"I made really cool friends, and it was fun getting pumpkin all over the place," said senior computer science major Kyle Khalifa.

Like Khalifa, several people came out to listen to music and enjoy the complimentary caramel apples, hot cider and hot chocolate provided by the event. Relay for Life and Campus Dining provided plenty of tools and stencils for carving, as well as several different pumpkins for students to choose from.

The judges for the carving competition included President Hurley and Assistant Director of the Multicultural Center Greta Franklin.

"It's my first time doing 'Carving for a Cure,' and it's

one of the helpful events on campus for Halloween because you are able to carve yourself a pumpkin and take it home. My pumpkin will match my costume for tomorrow," said graduate assistant Liz Bradley.

The winners were announced shortly after judging began at 4:45 p.m. Laura Cutkosky won third place, Julia Burzynski second, and Kenneth Haddon took home first prize and the \$50 gift certificate.

"Carving for a Cure" proved an enjoyable event that brought students together for a good cause. Leading up to the Relay for Life, "Carving for a Cure" is one such event that helps students get involved in finding a cure for cancer and providing support for survivors.

## Anti-bullying talk informs

By JAZMIN AUSTIN

The University of Mary Washington student-run sorority Alpha Mu Sigma hosted an anti-bullying talk on Oct. 29. As part of anti-bullying month, the talk educated students on bullying, and taught students how to identify and prevent it.

The event did not go as initially planned, due to the fact that Chris Manuel, the intended speaker, was unable to attend. Speaking in his place was sophomore English and literacy studies major Nicole Contrino.

Contrino first showed different words that bully victims might see or hear. Some words included insults such as "worthless," "idiot," "freak," "wannabe," "fatty," "stupid" and "gay." Several members of the audience gasped or sat in uncomfortable silence as the words appeared on the screen. During the presentation, there were multiple ideas about how people are affected by bullying, despite whether the person is the bully, the victim or just a bystander.

Contrino identified several factors that lead to bullying. The bully may often have issues at home or possess low self-esteem. The victim may normally be someone over or underweight, a new student, someone that is not "cool" or who has a different sexual orientation.

According to Contrino, the bully experiences negative effects from the situation as well. Effects might include abuse of alcohol as a child or adult, or early sexual activities. She also stated that bullying affected the victim in various ways, such as feelings of sadness or loneliness, a loss of interest in all activities and decreased academic achievement or participation.

While Contrino was researching for the presentation, she noticed there were also effects on the bystander, such as "increased drug use or smoking, missing or skipping school and mental health issues like depression or anxieties."

Most of the presentation and effects focused on middle and

high school children, however there is also bullying that goes on in college, such as hazing and cyber bullying. People can also experience bullying from roommates or even professors.

Following the presentation, Frances Elmo, a senior psychology major and president of Alpha Mu Sigma announced that there was going to be a showing a documentary. The documentary, "Bully," follows three different children that are experiencing bullying.

The documentary showed the extreme consequences that result when people are bullied, including emotional, trauma or even death. The documentary was a startling and upsetting end to the presentation, but it perfectly summed up the message of the presentation.

October is anti-bullying month each year. UMW organizations such as Alpha Mu Sigma host bullying prevention discussions each year, to help inform students and end bullying.



Courtesy of Catey LeBouton

President Rick Hurley acted as one of the judges for "Carving for a Cure," hosted by Relay for Life.

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# Style

## 'The Conjuring' tells supposed true tale, terrifies viewers



Courtesy of Youtube

"The Conjuring" is based off of a supposed true experience by real life paranormal investigators, Ed and Lorraine Warren.

## Mr. Framar wins Mr. UMW

By AMANDA MOTLEY

A contest of wit, talent and charm, each year Mr. UMW serves as the fiercest competition at the University of Mary Washington.

Male representatives from each residence hall battled each other for the coveted title of Mr. UMW on Wednesday, Nov. 6.

"My favorite was definitely the talent portion. Mr. Bushnell [Frank Kear] was so talented and entertaining," said Sarah Listenbee, a sophomore psychology major.

The competition was hosted by the Association of Residence Halls (ARH).

"This event has been in

preparation since last year, booking the auditorium and planning out the event. A lot of hard work went into putting it together. The boys did not have as much time. They all practiced for three days before they had to perform," said senior Alyssa Lieurance, President of the ARH.

Students attended the event to cheer on their favorite competitors.

"The sports portion was my favorite. Mr. Eagle Landing's [Ethan Lane] portion was so funny. He was a triathlete and that was so creative," said Linda Ewell.

Check back next week for full coverage of the event!

### Mr. UMW Winners

*First Place*  
Mr. Framar: Sam Relken

*Second Place*  
Mr. Randolph: Ben Cunningham

*Third Place*  
Mr. Jefferson: Brandon Smith

*Fourth Place*  
Mr. Eagle Landing: Ethan Lane

By THOMAS HUGHES

"The Conjuring" was released in theaters this previous summer, scaring and delighting audiences. Directed by James Wan, ("Saw," "Insidious"), the film follows the supposed true story of paranormal investigators Ed and Lorraine Warren (Patrick Wilson and Vera Farmiga).

The University of Mary Washington Cheap Seats club featured the movie throughout the Halloween weekend.

The movie begins by introducing the Warrens and establishing their role as paranormal investigators. The story of a terrifying doll that is tormenting two girls is included for no real reason other than to take advantage of the creepy doll scare factor.

The film then moves on to the story of a family who has

recently moved into a Rhode Island farm house with a dark history. The Warrens come to investigate and soon discover a demonic presence in the house and must figure out a way to expel it and protect the family it is tormenting.

The film not only features the classic jump-scares common with horror movies but is also successful at presenting a creepy and believable environment.

Instead of repeating tactics that have been used previously, the film takes advantage of catching the audience off guard and building up the tension in scenes without the classic finish of a scare. As a result, audiences are wound up and tense, just waiting for the other shoe to drop.

The film also utilized setting perfectly. The ominous tree outside the house proves a perfect prop for both plot and creepiness.

In the fashion of recent horror movies, "The Conjuring" takes everyday circumstances and makes them terrifying. Audiences will leave the movie scared of the sound of clapping, and most will probably check all the armoires in their houses for a

few weeks following the movie.

While the special effects came across as a little campy, the film used them minimally. It was effective at maintaining the suspense and fear up until the climax.

However, "The Conjuring" broke one of the basic rules of scary movies: do not expose the main scare factor too much, or else audiences become desensitized.

The climax ignores this rule,

giving ample camera exposure to the demonic witch entity. This, coupled with an exorcism scene that is a clear rehash of many earlier films, serve as a disappointing end to an otherwise exemplary movie.

One of the main assets to the film is the acting, especially by the child actors.

A combination

of seriousness and comedy make the plot both interesting and thrilling while providing occasional comedic relief.

Between the religious themes, terrifying basement and creepy doll that comes to life, "The Conjuring" is a solid terror film that provides something for fans of all horror genres.

*"The Conjuring" broke one of the basic rules of scary movies: do not expose the main scare factor too much.*

## How to dress for Virginia's unpredictable fall weather



Courtesy of Flickr

Fall fashion is easy to acquire, but adapting your wardrobe to meet the demands of weather is not.

By HOPE RACINE

In Virginia, dressing for the weather is never as easy as it seems. When you wake up in the morning to subzero temperatures, a thick sweater seems like a great idea. But walking outside after class is like walking into a sauna because the temperature rose 30 degrees in the 50 minutes since you went in. Just as you pull off that suffocating sweater, a surprise rainstorm appears and soaks your belongings. Then comes the humidity.

In November, you should not have to anticipate 70 degree days. But is life ever fair? Pulling out your winter clothing, only to be confronted by an 80 degree day in October is the most frustrating situation ever. If you find yourself constantly plagued by the weather and unable to dress appropriately, the answer to your plight is simple: layers.

Pretend it is a Monday and the weather forecast is calling for a high of 66 and a low of 24. Avoid the tank tops or the heavy

sweaters. Opt for a light shirt, a sweater, jeans and flats. Sweaters are easily removed, a light jacket can be useful for early mornings or late nights, and flats will keep your feet from sweating while you run from Combs to Jepson. Dresses are great for layering as well, as they can easily be paired with sweaters, and tights can be added in a pinch.

Make your wardrobe a trade off. If you wear a light shirt, wear warmer pants or leggings. Or alternatively, wear a thicker top and more breathable bottoms. If you guess wrong for the weather, at least half of your wardrobe will be appropriate.

The button down shirt and sweater combination is your new best friend. In chillier climates, you will look like the definition of class, and when it heats up, the sweater can come off and the sleeves can be rolled up for a more casual look. This look consistently looks good with jeans, leggings or skirts. There is literally no way to not look classy

in a button down and sweater.

Another option that works well is the puffer vest. A warm weather friendly outfit can easily adapt to the colder climate of the morning and evening with the addition of a puffer vest. If done correctly, the vest adds warmth and flare to an outfit and can easily be stored in a bookbag. Scarves can serve this purpose as well, warm and fashionable, yet easily stowed away.

The final option is to just not care. You look beautiful in your sweater and scarf and boots and do not let anyone make you feel bad about it. Dressing for the weather is sometimes just not possible.

Finding clothing that will work in any weather is difficult, but possible. Leggings, contrary to popular belief, can be utilized throughout spring, fall and winter. Alternate out boots for flats and heavy sweaters for longer t-shirts, and the outfit stays cute and practical, no matter the weather.

## THIS WEEKEND

Nov. 7-10

### THURSDAY:

-ThinkFast (8 p.m.)  
The Underground  
-Spring Awakening  
(8 p.m.) Free Rehearsal  
Klein Theatre

### FRIDAY:

-Fall Fest (6 p.m.) Ball  
-Scarletta (8 p.m.)  
The Underground  
-Spring Awakening  
(8 p.m.) Klein Theatre

### SATURDAY:

-Fight Back 5k (8 a.m.)  
Ball Circle  
-Bhangra Beat (7 p.m.)  
Anderson Center  
-Battle of the Bands  
(7:30 p.m.) Great Hall

-Spring Awakening  
(8 p.m.) Klein Theatre

### SUNDAY:

-Spring Awakening  
(2 p.m.) Klein Theatre

## Pick of the Week

Sammy T's is a staple for any University of Mary Washington student wanting to experience Fredericksburg cuisine. Not only does Sammy T's have superb food and excellent service, but they also never disappoint.

The restaurant serves a creative variation of foods that are not only gourmet style delicious, but also vegetarian and vegan friendly. That is not to say they do not make equally tasty meat loving food choices, but the wide range of options is much appreciated.

What is also fun about Sammy T's is the decoration. All the art is by locals and is not what one conventionally sees in other restaurants. The decor is unique as well, with mirrors and an old-fashioned pub style ambiance that make one feel at home in this college town.

## Staff Picks: Fredericksburg Restaurants

Miso

Foodë

Castiglia's

Here and Abroad

Allman's

Soup & Taco

Bangkok Cafe



## McAuliffe wins Va., Attorney General outcome remains in the air

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of hope since there's going to be a recount for attorney general," said Maxwell Reinhardt, chairman of the college republicans.

According to Stephen Farnsworth, political science professor and director of the Center for Leadership and Media Studies, recent events relating to the Republican Party made it difficult for Cuccinelli to make progress in this election. "This was an impossible environment for Cuccinelli,"

li. McAuliffe had a lot more money, the government shutdown in Washington harmed the Republican brand and the incumbent governor of the state is facing potential corruption charges," said Farnsworth. "It's really amazing that it was as close as it was."

Issues with Republican campaign strategy was the focus of the message, according to Farnsworth. "I think the Republicans stepped on their own message in this election cycle," said

Farnsworth. "If the Republicans had not forced a government shutdown the first three weeks of October, it would have been a time to focus on the healthcare rollout problems."

There are two very close races in the process of a recount: the attorney general race between Mark Obenshain and Mark Herring, and the delegate's race between Jeremy McPike and Scott Lingamfelter.

With the totals being so close, provisional and absentee ballots not yet counted could

sway the outcome of these races.

"Until we have all the ballots counted, we don't really know who won," said Farnsworth.

While the Democrats swept through the top two big-ticket races, the Virginia House of Delegates maintained their Republican majority.

According to some, this could make McAuliffe's term difficult.

"I think we can expect heightened gridlock in Richmond. For the last several years, Republican moderates have been replaced either by Demo-

crats or Republican conservatives, and so there's very little interest on the part of the current Republican majority of the House of Delegates, to work all that closely with a Democratic governor," said Farnsworth.

Reinhardt agreed, saying, "After this election, Virginia is kind of like a little mini Washington D.C. I expect this to be a very unproductive governorship. [McAuliffe] ran on a very far left platform, and I don't think that the Republicans can or should go along with his plans."

Hermerding, however, disagreed with Reinhardt and Farnsworth.

"We don't have the House of Delegates, so there's that, but McAuliffe, as a Democrat, ran his campaign with bipartisanship and moderation, and I see him working together with the Republicans to do what's best for Virginia," said Hermerding.

McAuliffe and Northam will assume office in January and a special election will occur to fill Northam's soon to be vacant Senate seat.

## Wittman visits UMW

By JONATHAN POLSON

Congressman Rob Wittman (VA-1) spoke to students at the University of Mary Washington on Tuesday, Nov. 5 during Visiting Instructor of Political Science Abigail Jones' American government class.

After junior Nicole Tardif introduced Wittman, he immediately launched into a discussion on what he called "the madness that's happening just up the beltway."

Wittman spoke on a variety of issues, focusing on the overall functioning of government in light of the recent shutdown.

"One of the elements where Washington has broken down is how we do business," said Wittman. "Our responsibility is to make sure the government functions and one of those functions is the budget."

Wittman supported a clean continuing resolution in last month's budget conflict, which would have provided an opportunity to keep government open while continuing debate.

In the last legislative session, only four appropriation bills were passed by the end of the session in July. According to Wittman, he proposed that they remain in Washington until all work is done and appropriations are passed.

"People were negatively affected across the board, especially in this area," said Wittman. "One of the big concerns is the impact of a sequestration on our nation's military."

Wittman discussed how failing to pass appropriations that dictate military spending can result in detrimental cuts. According to Wittman, the recent sequestration caused \$700 billion in military cuts. "Another \$500 billion in cuts would be catastrophic," said Wittman.

"We should always make sure that we properly resource

the men and women that put themselves in harms way for our country," said Wittman, who is also chairman of the House Armed Services Committee on Readiness.

"My job is to make sure our military is ready," said Wittman. "We can have a debate about the size and scope of the military, but not one that jeopardizes the men and women that serve the country."

One student inquired about Wittman's views on military secrecy.

"We need to make sure we can maintain a strategic advantage for our military on the battlefield," answered Wittman, stressing the importance of ensuring U.S. enemies do not know specific strengths and weaknesses of the armed forces.

Wittman discussed his belief that students should pay attention to the current economy and study for jobs that are in demand.

"42 percent of the professionals who gained a college degree are not working in the field that they got the degrees," he said.

According to Wittman, a focus on trade jobs can allow some students to avoid the difficulty of higher education payment and student debts.

Wittman discussed a wide range of views, such as the importance of technological advancement and using public education funding effectively.

Sophomore political science major Ellen O'Brien said she enjoyed the speech and found value in the chance to openly discuss policy with the congressman.

"I thought he was a very informative speaker who seemed to care about us," said O'Brien. "Although I don't agree with some of his views, I still felt as though I could ask him questions and get actual answers from him instead of soundbites."

## COAR wins electric car from Pohanka Nissan

By COLLEEN HUBER

The University of Mary Washington Community Outreach and Resources (COAR) received a two-year lease of a 2013 Nissan Leaf as a gift from Pohanka Nissan.

Tim Pohanka, owner of Pohanka Nissan and a University of Mary Washington alumnus, came to UMW with the opportunity to win the car, according to Christina Eggenberger, director of service and student affairs.

Center for Honor, Leadership and Service (CHLS) put the ideas of how to put the car to use together with COAR in mind. Nissan approved the ideas and awarded the car to COAR for two years.

The Nissan Leaf has a 100 percent electric drive system that is powered by a recharge-

able lithium-ion battery. The car's charge gets the equivalent of 129 miles per gallon, according to the Nissan website.

"UMW is in the process of getting a charger installed on campus for the Leaf," said Eggenberger. "It is a great step for UMW in terms of encouraging environmental sustainability in terms of transportation."

COAR has several plans on how to put the car into use.

"COAR will be using it to transport volunteers to local sites such as Friends of the Rappahannock, animal adoption days, local schools for tutoring and mentoring programs and anything else that fits the bill," said Eggenberger.

Eggenberger said the car makes UMW more adaptive



Courtesy of Crunch Gear

The Nissan Leaf was given to UMW's COAR by Pohanka Nissan

to the needs of the community.

COAR does not always require a 10-passenger van to transport volunteers, said Eggenberger, because sometimes only two or three people are going out to meet a need. COAR plans to create education-

al programming around the car.

"We are also looking forward to developing some educational programming around the car since it is fully electric," said Eggenberger.

## UMW Foundation acquires Hostess property nearby

By CATE STACKHOUSE

The University of Mary Washington Foundation purchased a property located on the 1300 block of Powhatan St. last month. The sale was finalized on Oct. 24.

After going out of business in 2013, Hostess Brands, Inc.'s properties nationwide were liquidated.

Properties were initially handled by the company Hilco, LLC, but a judge awarded the properties to Hackman Capital Partners, an industrial real estate firm. The University proceeded with negotiations with Hackman Capital in September.

"A deal on the property had been in the works since March or April of 2013," according to Rick Pearce, vice president for administration and finance and chief financial officer for the university.

The Foundation also owns the Eagle Landing property, which is located adjacent to the Hostess property.

"The main benefit is that the property remains in the same hands as Eagle Village, making use of it easier than having two separate owners," says Pearce. "The Foundation's mission is to aid and advance the University's mission."

In the near future the university will be assessing the property and creating a utilization plan for the property.

"We don't know what its eventual use will be or how it will be involved in future development of Eagle Village," says Pearce. "For the time being we are considering several uses, such as storage and staging area for construction projects."

Both Rountree and Pearce indicated that this property contains many benefits for the future.

"The property is adjacent to the Eagle Village Center, so it should give the Foundation additional flexibility

in further developing the property in years to come. The access to Cowan Blvd. through the Hostess property is very beneficial," said Pearce.

In addition to the location of the property, the size of the property and buildings could be very useful in the future.

"A real benefit of this acquisition is that the property contains three buildings and approximately 15,000 square feet of space that can be of great use to the university either immediately or in the near future," says Rountree. "But again, it also has a terrific location as well."

The property was bought by the UMW Foundation rather than the university itself.

"The private UMW Foundation is the private asset manager for the public university," said Jeff Rountree, chief executive officer of the UMW Foundation. "The UMW Foundation can go out quickly and put together deals in the marketplace that would take the University months or years to get approvals and funding for."

The UMW Foundation is a non-stock, nonprofit corporation whose mission is to administer resources supporting the mission of the university.

It receives, administers and manages donations of cash, securities, property and other private resources for the support of UMW.

The University has expanded its property and added to the current property for the past few years.

The construction of the new Information and Technology Convergence Center and the Hyatt Hotel are examples of this.

"It seems like the University is trying to expand our student population," said Gracy Hill, a freshman. "It would be good for UMW to have more land to build on."

## UMW collaborates with community on environment

By SUZANNA TOSKE

A collaborative group of local businesses, non-profit organizations, regional public agencies and the University of Mary Washington is organizing a Climate Environment Action Readiness (CLEAR) Plan, which will promote sustainability throughout Planning District 16. The area includes Fredericksburg, Stafford, Spotsylvania, King George and Caroline counties.

The idea of the plan began as a suggestion made by Rebecca Rubin, president and CEO of Marstel-Day, an environmental consulting company in Fredericksburg, after attending one of UMW President Rick Hurley's forums about his vision for the university to become an assembler of ideas.

CLEAR came together when Marstel-Day and UMW brainstormed together about the importance of a resilient

region, according to Rubin.

"Resilience" is a word often used to describe communities that are able to respond to and rebound from the various effects of climate change in ways that are also supportive of a local and regional economy," Rubin said.

Some of CLEAR's Plan goals are to diversify the regional economy with green jobs, identify sustainable activities that save homeowners and businesses money, protect private property by creating and coordinating plans for floods and severe-weather emergencies, sustain resources and open spaces and build resilience through prevention and planning, according to an article in the Free Lance-Star.

"I think CLEAR is one of the most significant efforts this region can make to promote the health of area businesses-including both for profit and nonprofit-and citi-

zens in general," said Rubin.

The University supports the idea of the plan and the opportunities it will provide.

"We jointly recognized that the development of a plan would build a positive environment in the Fredericksburg region while also providing students with opportunities for internships and service learning," said Richard Finkelstein, dean of arts and science.

CLEAR is not fully established yet; however, the University and its partners, such as Friends of Rappahannock, Tree Fredericksburg, Luck Development and Stafford Printing, created a series of actions needed in order to execute the plan executed.

The first step in the process requires a survey of Fredericksburg residents, asking about the qualities they most value about living and working in the area.

After the completion of the

survey, the university and its partners will invite members of the community to a planning session, which will allow people to provide more input for the plan. They hope to hold the session on Nov. 13, according to Rubin.

The outcome of the planning conference will be the finalized CLEAR Plan, which "will inform and guide [the community] on the relationship between the choices individuals and our community make, and the maintenance of our regional strengths," according to the CLEAR Mission and Goals.

"I think [CLEAR] is really important because people don't realize they're being unsustainable. By raising awareness on campus, we have the ability to spread awareness in other communities," said UMW senior and environmental sustainability minor, Christian Widow.



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# Sports



UMW will host the Capital Women's Collegiate Rugby Conference DII Tournament this weekend. The College of William & Mary, Salisbury University and American University will attend.

Courtesy of Erika Persil

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## Weekly Wins



Volleyball won in their first round of the CAC Tournament.

Courtesy of UMW Athletics

Friday, Nov. 1

Women's Swimming vs. York, 200-60

Men's Swimming vs. York, 186-76

Saturday, Nov. 2

Women's Soccer vs. St. Mary's College, CAC Tournament First Round, 1-0

Tuesday, Nov. 5

Volleyball vs. Frostburg State, CAC Tournament First Round, 3-0



Women's Soccer beat St. Mary's College Saturday, Nov. 2.

Courtesy of UMW Athletics



Both men's and women's swimming scored high last Friday.

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## Mother's rugby ready to push through championships

By CARTER WALLER

Last season, they were one game from winning it all. Now, after a strong showing in the 2013 regular season, the men's rugby team is seeking a Cardinal Conference Championship.

After going 4-3 against conference foes, the team earned a number four seed in the Cardinal Conference playoffs, where they play fifth-seeded Virginia Military Institute.

"What we want to do is achieve the best possible. Mix the experience [on the team] with the inexperience and execute over this weekend," said senior captain Ben Britten.

The team is made up of nine seniors, but also includes a number of inexperienced freshmen, according to Britten, the team's starting hooker.

Last season, UMW's men's rugby made it all the way to the championship game against James Madison University, but lost 50-17.

Now, JMU is the number one seed going into the tournament after a perfect 7-0 overall in the conference, and they are seeking a possible repeat finale.

Teams in the conference include JMU, Old Dominion University, Radford University, VMI, Duke University, The College of William & Mary, Longwood University and UMW.

A tough test awaits the men's rugby team, as they

are pitted against a VMI team that also posted a 4-3 record in conference play. In their one head-to-head match up on Sep. 28, the Eagles won 34-28.

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tential to win it all," said junior men's rugby president Matthew McAloon. "We were close last year, so I know it's possible."

A win against VMI on Nov. 15 would set up UMW to play against whichever team wins in the JMU vs. Longwood game.

The first round of the Cardinal Conference playoffs takes place next weekend and are the only games played for the week-

end. The following weekend will feature the two semifinal match ups on Saturday, Nov. 23, and the finals on the next day, Sunday, Nov. 24.

"I expect that ODU will be a very hard team and so will JMU. Heart, heart is what will win us these upcoming games," said Britten.

ODU is seeded second after finishing with a 6-1 record, losing its last game to JMU 53-20 in a blowout. ODU won a

close game with a final score of 24-13 against UMW on Sep. 14.

Thursdays from 4 to 6 p.m., and will not shake up the routines during practice too much, according to McAloon.

"We're just doing the same things we usually do. Same type of drills and such, although there's been more contact recently," McAloon said.

The rugby team will have two weeks off in preparation for VMI.

"As captain in my final year it would be an honor to finish my UMW career with a trip to Nationals. The boys just have to believe and execute what we train," said Britten.



Courtesy of Mother's Rugby

Men's rugby team hopes to win big in their Championship.

The men's rugby team continues their regular practice schedule on Tuesdays and



# Sports

## In the endzone: quarterbacks on top

By NATHAN MARKLE

If you believe someone on my top ten NFL quarterback list is undeserving and should be replaced, I offer a suggestion: imagine my choice and your own on the opposite team. If you believe Alex Smith (No. 9) does not produce enough stats to be on the list, and Eli Manning and his two rings should be instead, try to imagine the Giants with Smith. Their record would probably be better now. Also, the Chiefs would be incapable of going unbeaten to this point if the turnover happy Eli was running the show. Now, to the top five!

**No. 5: Andrew Luck: Indianapolis Colts**

Luck led a fourth quarter comeback to beat the Texans on Sunday night. What else is new? It seems all Luck does since he broke into the NFL is play Captain Comeback.

Two whole seasons since he was drafted No. 1 overall, he managed to drastically separate himself from not only those in his draft class but practically the whole league.

Whether or not Luck belongs to the elite class already is a viable debate topic. He produces dazzling numbers and possesses tools that few can claim. Luck holds a Hall of Fame career ahead of him.

**No. 4: Drew Brees: New Orleans Saints**

It is hard to believe that San Diego let this man walk. Since his departure from the Chargers, Brees solidified his position as one of the unquestioned top five quarterbacks in the league.

He took the Saints to their only Super Bowl, won two MVP awards and broke passing records held by greats like

Dan Marino and Johnny Unitas.

Brees also has more five-passing touchdown games than any other single caller in history. He kept at it this season with 20 touchdowns so far and an astronomical quarterback rating of 109.2.

**No. 3: Tom Brady: New England Patriots**

Cue the chorus of moans and groans of disagreement. It has become basically blasphemous to exclude the gold-

denied success, and if you provide him with any weapons whatsoever, he will win games. Despite his lackluster production this season, the Patriots are still 7-2, which speaks to Brady's leadership.

**No. 2: Peyton Manning: Denver Broncos**

No. 2 may be a shocking place for Manning, as it seems this year is all about Peyton. I know I sound like a hater, but shouldn't he be great?

Broncos probably would have made the Super Bowl last year if the following quarterback on the list was their own.

**No. 1: Aaron Rodgers: Green Bay Packers**

He is the best all-around quarterback the league has to offer. His arm is a cannon with pinpoint precision, and he is fleet-footed enough to extend plays and escape pressure.

Few other quarterbacks could survive the awful offensive lines Green Bay rolled onto the field the past few seasons.

Rodgers not only survived, he is phenomenal. He boasts the NFL's best touchdown to interception ratio ever, he holds the record for quarterback rating and, most important of all, he brought the Lombardi back to Lambeau.

Rodgers belongs above Manning because, at this point, Manning's arm strength is nothing compared to what it once was, and that occasionally hurts him.

Plus, Manning is a sitting duck in the pocket. Manning is one of the best of all-time, but imagine the lethality the Broncos would possess with all of the tools Rodgers possess.

He deserves the higher ranking than the declining Brady as well. Many used the injuries to Amendola and Gronkowski as excuses for Brady's slow start. It is conceivable that Rodgers would have still produced in that environment.

Just look to this season as proof. His receiving corps was decimated by injuries to James Jones, Randall Cobb and Jeremiah Finley, but Rodgers did not slow down at all. Aaron Rodgers is by far the best quarterback of the 2013-14 season.



Courtesy of Wikipedia

Aaron Rodgers from the Green Bay Packers stands out in NFL.

en boy from the top two on any list. But keep in mind, we are not talking legacy here.

This list is predominately about which quarterbacks are great this season and show beyond reasonable doubt that they could right the ship of any franchise.

Brady is not himself this season. In fact, up until Sunday's match up with the Steelers, he was downright mediocre.

It would be defendable to keep him off this list for 2013-14 altogether, but, alas, Brady is Brady.

Tom Terrific will not be

look like a superstar if he had Demarius Thomas, Wes Welker, Eric Decker and Julius Thomas to throw to.

Plus, Manning has a tendency to come up short when it counts most. Remember last year when he lost at home against the Ravens in the championship game? He made a costly error, throwing against his body to the middle of the field for an interception, practically sealing the team's fate.

This is where that smidge of history comes into the equation for this list, because the



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UMW Senior Sam Partonen and UMW alum Carol Dye.

## Basketball begins

By REGINA WEISS

As the University of Mary Washington men's and women's basketball seasons quickly approach, the Capital Athletic Conference (CAC) will host an online, interactive event with each of the ten head coaches on Thursday, Nov. 7.

The coaches will speak about their team's upcoming seasons on Google+ Hangouts, available to anyone for viewing.

On Thursday, the women's coaches will speak immediately after the CAC opening statement at noon. They will speak until 12:55 p.m. The men's coaches will begin at 1:35 after another CAC office opening statement at 1:30.

If you miss the live interviews, they will be available on the CAC YouTube page. Fans and media are encouraged to post questions to the CAC Facebook page or tweet at them using the hashtag "CACHoops."

The list of schools speaking for both men's and women's teams, in order of each time slot, include: Christopher Newport University, Frostburg State University, University

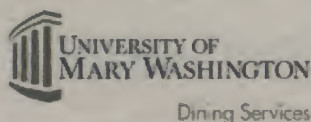
of Mary Washington, Marymount University, Penn State Harrisburg, St. Mary's College, Salisbury University, Southern Virginia University, Wesley College, and York University.

The Eagles will begin their 2013-2014 season at home next Friday through Sunday, Nov. 15 through Nov. 17, during the Hampton Inn South Tipoff Tournament.

The women open against Penn State-Altoona at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, and the men open against Montclair State at 8 p.m. Saturday night.

After their opening tournament, the next home game for both the men's and women's teams will be on Saturday, Dec. 14 against St. Mary's College. The women will play at 1 p.m. and the men will begin at 3 p.m.

Season tickets for the 24-game season are now available online for purchasing on the UMW Eagles website for \$100. Admission for UMW students, faculty, staff and children six and under is free, and general admission for others is \$5, reserved chair backs are \$7 and non-students, seniors and military are \$3.



## Campus Dining

### Celebrate Thanksgiving With Us November 21st

Join us on Thursday, November 21st for Roast Turkey, Stuffing, Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Pumpkin Pie and a host of other mouth-watering traditional dishes!

#### Thanksgiving Lunch for Faculty & Staff

11 AM—1:30 PM, the Faculty & Staff Dining Room.  
Cost: \$6

#### Thanksgiving Dinner for Students

5:00 PM to 8:00 PM, all Seacobeck Dining Rooms  
(Faculty & Staff Dining Room open for seating only)

Cost: 1 Meal Swipe, \$10.75 Flex,  
or \$11.40+ Tax for Cash, EagleOne or Credit

Note: The Washington Diner will be closed between 4 PM and 5 PM to enable us to prepare for the celebration.



**VOLUNTEER SERVERS STILL NEEDED!** We are still looking for members of the Faculty and Staff to assist in serving the dinner for the students. Please contact Rose at rbenedic@umw.edu if you would like to help or get more details.

## Help Us Reach Our Goal of 3,000 Pounds of Food For The

### Fredericksburg Area Food Bank

**Clubs & Residence Halls:** Form a Team! Win a Pizza Party for donating the most Pounds of Food Per Person!

The UMW Athletic Department is competing to be tops in the conference in food donations Nov. 11-20. They are partnering with Campus Dining to help make this the most successful food drive ever.

### Please Join us!

Food collection bins located in all dining facilities.  
Curb side drop off at FRED bus Stop Nov. 20, 12-5PM

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